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Commendable efforts have been begun by the local G. A. R. post to make the next state encampment the most auspicious ever held in West Virginia. These efforts are full of patriotism not only for the state, but more particularly for Clarksburg. It is the ambition of the members of the post to make the meeting in Clarksburg greater than any that has ever been held in the state, and a worthy ambition it is. Such an event will result in untold good to the place. It will, indeed, be of great advertising benefit to this city. Every patriotic and business citizen should appreciate this fact and lend what financial encouragement they can. A certain amount of money is necessary to defray the expenses of such a grand entertainment as the post hopes to give its visiting comrades, and the thousands of other people whom the event will attract to this city, and it is confidently believed that the citizens will not be slow in their contributions for the purpose. It will be money well spent. Only about two months remain and the committees in charge will have much to do in that time. So let your volunteer contributions be forthcoming. There ought not to be any trouble whatever in raising an ample amount for the purpose. It will be largely well spent.

Those who offer excuse for turning off the water supply during cold weather, when all the pipes are likely to freeze and burst as the result, say the spigots are turned on at night and, therefore, there is a big waste. Concealed that this is true, then it behooves the city to adopt the meter system. All water used in this way will then have to be paid for, and, if the citizens are willing to pay for water at all they will pay for what they use, whether to wash their faces or to keep the pipes from freezing. The water works are intended to supply the wants of all who patronize them, and, if they are not sufficient to do that, it is urgent that the city council take steps to make them adequate. This step can not be taken too quickly. Water is just as necessary as paved streets. They have been a source of aggravation a year or so. The people demand something better, and at once.

There is considerable smallpox scattered over this state. The state board of health has not shown itself equal to the task of coping with this loathsome disease. The Legislature should take measures to rid our state of it. Want such measures should be this paper is unable to say, but that something should be done is apparent to every one. The matter should be brought to the attention of the Legislature at once.

It is stated that an invitation will be extended to all the secret orders of the city to participate in the street parade at the coming state encampment here. What a grand pageant it would be, and it is to be sincerely hoped for the success of the occasion that the invitations will be accepted.

Several booms for municipal office seem to have died in their infancy. Evidently those boomers for themselves were not long in ascertaining their unpopularity with the people. It was a case where the early bird did not get the worm. Publicity killed them to begin with.

If some people knew how little the majority of the citizens of the city really think of them they would not be as persistent for office and excuse their desire for office by saying the people want them.

It is noticed that some of the school teachers are still referring to West Virginia as the "Little Mountain State." Their text book on geography may not inform them any better, but if they would read some current literature, such as the newspapers, they would learn that there is nothing little about West Virginia any more. Wonder if they really know that West Virginia is one of the greatest states in the union. It is time they are waking up.

## MISSED CAPTURE

COLORED MURDERERS FOR WHOM \$1,200 REWARD IS OFFERED ATE SUPPER HERE.

Disappeared Shortly Before Word Was Received That They Were Here and Wanted.

There is an old saying about going away from home to get the news, and we clip the following from Moudy's Parkersburg State Journal:

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The above seems to be more of a fairy story than anything else. As two negroes were coming out of the restaurant some on approached Policeman Brooke and remarked to him: "There goes two fellows for whom \$10,000 reward has been offered; arrest them." Brooke paid no attention to the remark, but later something was said about it, and the news of the incident was carried to Parkersburg. No search has been made for the fellows, and none is likely to be made.

### Tragedy Averted.

"Just in the nick of time our little boy was saved, writes Mrs. W. Watkins of Pleasant City, Ohio. 'Pneumonia had played sad havoc with him and a terrible cough set in besides. Doctors treated him, but he grew worse every day. At length we tried Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption and our darling was saved. He's now sound, and well. Everybody ought to know it's the only sure cure for coughs, colds and all lung diseases. Guaranteed by Frank G. Bland, druggist, Pike street, feb. 3-dead-wlm.

### SEVERAL SCHOOLS CLOSE

Very Successful Terms Taught at Various Places in the County.

The Wilsonburg graded school closed Friday, February 20, 1903. A very interesting program was rendered by the school, in the afternoon, which was enjoyed by a number of citizens of the town. Miss Dell Ball, of Braxton county, taught the advanced pupils and Miss Maggie Flynn, of Wilsonburg, the intermediate and primary grades. A very successful term was taught. O'Neil school, taught by Miss Anna Hannah, of Sardis, closed on the above date, after a very good term. Shahan school closed Friday, after a very successful term. Miss Allie Ash was teacher. Reynoldsville school closed Friday. A good school was taught by Scott Randolph, of Salem.

The writer, as well as others, thinks it absurd to have to report the finis of our village and rural district schools. A five months' term is by no means long enough for the youths of our little Mountain State. Let those who have that power within their grasp exercise it to such an extent that the youths of our village and rural districts may be kept in the school room a few months longer, at least. They could not be kept in a better place.

FRIEND OF THE FREE SCHOOL.

There is nothing more refreshing than a good cup of hot chocolate. Get it at C. D. Sturm & Co., druggists. 2-4-tf

### A Menial's Poem.

Probably the names of prison poetry which has been written on stools and bedposts and scratched on prison walls far exceeds that which has found expression on paper, and many a "mute, inglorious Milton" has begun and finished his poetical career with these "lost to sight" productions.

There is in existence a short poem, said to have been scratched by a maniac on the wall of his cell, which runs thus:

Could I with ink the ocean fill,  
Were all the world of parchment made,  
Were every reed on earth a quill,  
And every man a scribe by trade,  
To write the love of God alone  
Would drain that ocean dry;  
Nor could the scroll contain the words,  
Though stretched from sky to sky.

The authenticity of this being the work of a maniac has often been questioned because of the beauty of its expression and its sound reason, but the story stands.—All the Year Round.

### Cambronne and His Needle.

The famous General Cambronne had a talent not rare in the French army. He knew how to use a needle. I knew an old lady who preserved with care a Brittany costume he made her for a fancy ball. She spoke of it as a beautiful fit at the time he measured her for it. The ornamental stitching on the corsage and apron formed designs invented by the general as he stitched, though he was of an age when the inventive faculty is dull. "What should I do to prevent tedious killing me," he once said in the hearing of this lady, "were it not for my needle?" He had little book education and never had any taste for reading. He was too sober to seek liveliness in drink, and too good a citizen to seek to play a part as a politician. He also had a loom with which he wove tapestry and furnished some beautiful things to his relatives.—Paris Cor. London News.

### An Enduring Record.

Standing side by side in an old Long Island cemetery are four tombstones. They commemorate the virtues of the successive wives of one of the town's inhabitants. A peculiar thing about the monuments is that not alone do they perpetuate the memory of each of his helpmates, but they serve as a sort of financial barometer to record the husband's rising fortunes.

The first wife had a modest little headstone. The second wife's memorial was on the same order, but it was at least two feet taller. The third wife differed both as to style and size, being greatly superior to either of the others, while to the fourth and last was granted the distinction of a granite shaft.

### A Munchausen Yarn.

Baron Munchausen, when hunting for deer upon one occasion, encountered a magnificent animal, but found himself without shot. Speedily gathering together a handful of cherry stones he loaded his gun with them and fired at the deer, hitting him squarely between the eyes, not killing him, however. The deer managed to escape, but some time later the baron encountered him again and was surprised to see a beautiful cherry tree growing out of the animal's forehead, covered with blossoms.

### The Ubiquitous Union.

Young Wife (sobbing)—Oh, Clarice, I'm so unhappy! I'm going h-b-home to t-t-t to my mother!  
Clarice—Good gracious, dear! Surely George is not so unkind to you already!  
Young Wife (sobbing)—N-n-no, no, no; it's not that. But Mr. Blinks, the husband of one of our members, has refused to buy Mrs. Blinks a new toque, and the Amalgamated Wives' union has ordered us all out on strike.—Illustrated Bits.

### Insulted Her Feet.

Mrs. De Bride was entertaining callers. After they left she remarked to her husband:  
"I hope they didn't see my walking shoes lying there. They would think me very untidy if they did."  
"Oh, if they saw them they probably thought they were mine," answered her husband in a consoling tone.  
And she hasn't spoken to him since.

### The Speaker.

Many years ago an Allen county man announced himself as a candidate for the legislature.  
"But you can't make a speech," objected a friend.  
"Oh, that doesn't make any difference," innocently responded the candidate. "For the house always elects a speaker."—Tola (Kan.) Register.

### For Keeps.

Mamma—Don't be so selfish. Let your baby brother play with your marbles a little while.  
Tommy—But he means to keep them always.  
Mamma—Oh, I guess not.  
Tommy—I guess yes, 'cause he's swallowed 'em.—Philadelphia Press.

### A Transformation.

"How do you like our climate?" asked the South Carolina quail.  
"It has made a new creature of me!" enthusiastically replied the ricebird, which had called itself a bobolink when it left New England last fall.—What to Eat

### Settling Down.

Mary Ann was a solid and healthy native of Prince Edward island. At the age of twenty she had entered the kitchen of a Boston family, and there she had reigned for fifteen years.

Every year she was left in charge of the city house for the three summer months, while the family were at the mountains, and during the rest of the year she directed the domestic affairs of the household in a firm and tranquil way.

When the family returned in the fifteenth autumn of Mary Ann's reign, she announced her intention to marry within a month.

"I've been knocking about the world for this last fifteen years," said Mary Ann, "and it's time I settled down, if ever I mean to do it."

"It doesn't seem to me as if you had knocked about much," said her mistress, with mild resentment, "but I'm glad you are to have a home of your own. What is the young man's business?"

"He's the traveling agent for a new stove lifter and a gas burner," said Mary Ann proudly, "and he's going to take me with him wherever he goes."—Youth's Companion.

### A Curious Custom.

One of the many curious customs which mark the visits of judges to provincial assizes of England is that observed at Newcastle-on-Tyne.

The mayor always makes the following speech to the judges on circuit:

"My lords, we have to congratulate you upon having completed your labors in this ancient town and have also to inform you that you travel hence to Carlisle through border country much and often infested by the Scots. We therefore present each of your lordships with a piece of money to buy therewith a dagger to defend yourselves."

Then the mayor produces two ancient coins, a Jacobus and a carolus. The former he presents to the senior and the latter to the junior judge. Apparently it is intended that the senior judge shall purchase a dagger twice the size of that purchased by the junior judge.

### Affection of Seals.

Natural affection of seals in their wild state is well shown in the following anecdote: A gentleman living in Oregon, on the ocean shore, one day caught in a very simple manner a young seal. It had been stranded on the plank wharf by a receding tide and left high and uncomfortably dry as well. It had not strength to waddle into the water and no one to teach it the tricks of its tribe. The gentleman kept the little glossy creature for several days and then in pity turned it into its native element. It came to the wharf every night and whimpered so that he was obliged to take it out again and keep it in a small tank, the seal giving every demonstration of affection, after the manner of a young dog.

### Riding the Goat.

Whence comes the phrase "riding the goat"? Presumably from Egypt and old Nile. Capricornus, the goat of the zodiac, was the patron of the hierophants in the Egyptian mysteries. Knowledge, especially occult and occult knowledge, was under his protection. The goat of earth may be despised on earth, but the celestial goat is or was a mighty and mysterious power. It may be a long way from the astrological and astronomical goat to the comic "goat" of modern intonations, but that is not the goat's fault.

### Chinese Royal Tea.

The tea used in the immediate household of the ruler of China is treated with the utmost care. It is raised in a garden surrounded by a wall, so that neither man nor beast can get anywhere near the plants. At the time of the harvest those collecting these leaves must abstain from eating fish, that their breath may not spoil the aroma of the tea; they must bathe three times a day, and, in addition, must wear gloves while picking the tea for the Chinese court.

### It's What We Haven't Got We Want.

Once upon a time there lived a kitten with a tail so long that he could catch it any time he liked.  
The other kittens envied him.  
"What the rest of us the ourselves out in the pursuit of you have at once!" exclaimed they.  
"And yet I am not happy," protested the kitten.  
Now, this was a great mystery among the cats, for they were devoid of human discernment.—Life.

### Mysterious Circumstance.

One was pale and sallow and the other fresh and rosy. Whence the difference? She who is blushing with health uses Dr. King's New Life Pills to maintain it. By gently arousing the lazy organs they compel good digestion and head off constipation. Try them. Only 25 cents at Frank G. Bland, druggist, Price 50c. and \$1.00. Trial bottles free. feb. 3-dead-wlm.

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\$1,400.00 buys an 8-room house in Summit Park, near Tin Plate Mill, good sized lot with well on it. Will rent for \$20 per month. This lot listed for quick sale.

\$1,750.00 buys a five room cottage in Adamston on lot 45x150 feet.

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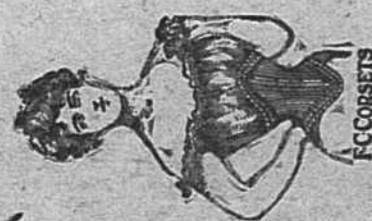
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